

Elimination Tourneys A Delusion and Snare

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SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 6.—The so-called elimination tournaments are a delusion and a snare. Like desert trails, they lead nowhere in particular. The best in store for any one who follows them is a glimpse of a mirage or something equally unstable and misleading.

In the memory of man about the only elimination tourney that held the even tenor of its way and produced a practical result, was the tourney staged at Los Angeles for the purpose of developing a challenger for Abe Attell.

For further particulars see Johnny Kilbane.

The main purpose of elimination tourneys is to give promoters a chance to work up interest in the operations or relays of no good fighters. Just at present two far western match handlers are in the throes of middleweight elimination tourneys. McCarey of Los Angeles is running one, and Coffroth, of San Francisco, the other.

It looks as if each of the promoters is impaled upon a double horned dilemma. He has no material worth while to carry on with, and he has failed to arouse anything that savors of enthusiasm so far as the public is concerned.

It is with the San Francisco tourney that this article has mainly to do. It is the kind of elimination tourney we have had Frank Klaus and Salter Petrensky, Klaus and Jack Dillon.

Klaus came to the tourney with the most promising middleweight in sight, with the possible exception of Eddie McGeary, and has proved a good deal of a disappointment. In his first

encounter he wasn't equal to the task of stopping the fellow who wears a blue jacket's uniform about the match watch than he does about the technicalities of fighting. In the next affair he gained the decision through superior condition, but apart from this, uncovered nothing to leave a lasting impression on the minds of those who watched him at work.

It is said now that there is some hitch over the bringing together of Klaus and McGeary. They may box later in the year, but if the bout falls through altogether, so far as San Francisco is concerned no particular disappointment will be felt around here.

The local fight followers know nothing about McGeary, but if he is merely a rival of Klaus, and the term rival carries the usual suggestion of something approaching equality—it is felt that McGeary can be no great shakes.

California patrons of boxing feel rather glum over the outlook of the middleweights. With a cessation of activity among the lightweights, with the featherweight problem nearly worked out and with the heavyweight situation all head and points on account of the malign influence of the Jack Johnson, it was thought that the middleweights would be able to keep the ball rolling and supply good entertainment. But judging from what has happened so far, the middleweights are a poor lot.

What would Stanley Ketchel have done to your Dillons and Klaus? asked the man coming away from Coffroth's arena. Or what would Papke have done to them when he was fighting well, or Hugo Kelly when in his

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